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**RETURN RECEIPT REQUIRED**

Mr. Don Bleile  
SHAC Production Leader  
St. Charles Operations  
Union Carbide Corporation  
P.O. Box 50  
Hahnville, LA 70079

RE: Request for Variance from Classification as a Solid Waste  
Spent Monochlorobenzene (MCB) reclaimed at Mid-America Distillations Inc. (MADI)  
Union Carbide Corporation (UCC)  
LAR 000 004 598  
AI# 25156 / PER 20050003

Dear Mr. Bleile:

The Water and Waste Permits Division is in receipt of your submittal dated November 29, 2005, regarding a variance from the classification as a solid waste for monochlorobenzene (MCB). According to the information submitted, the SHAC© plant at the UCC Norco, LA facility generates a Catalyst Filtrate/Wash that contains monochlorobenzene (MCB). This material is transported to MADI where product grade MCB is recovered and returned to UCC-Norco for reuse in the original production process.

Following a review of your submittal, a public notice of the intent to issue a variance will be published. The Environmental Assistance Division will distribute copies of your application for public review and place public notices in the appropriate newspapers in accordance with LAC 33:V.105.K.2.b. Please contact Ms. Soumaya Ghosn at (225) 219-3276 for the date of publication and the dates for the comment period. At the conclusion of the 30-day public comment period, the Water and Waste Permits Division will consider all comments and render a final decision regarding your variance request.

The approval will be contingent on Union Carbide operating this process of reclamation and reuse in a manner consistent with representations made in the variance petition of November 29, 2005.

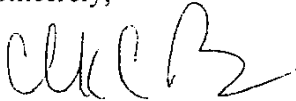
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Please reference your Agency Interest No. (25156), EPA ID No. (LAR 000004598), and Permit Activity Number PER 20050003 on all future correspondence pertaining to this matter. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Holly Maynard, Solid and Hazardous Waste Permits Section at (225) 219-3089.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chuck Carr Brown'.

Chuck Carr Brown, Ph.D.  
Assistant Secretary

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Attachment

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